

Monthly Newsletter

February Activities




The purpose of this Newsletter is to inform the interested parties about the activities carried out by the organization during February

The mission of LDA Georgia is to strengthen local democracy and civil society, support democratic reforms in Georgia and to develop new and innovative approaches to local and national challenges, by co-operating with the local and international stakeholders.

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The final conference of the project "Promoting Civic Involvement to Improve Social Accountability and Local Governance in Kvemo Kartli and Racha-Lechkhumi lower Svaneti municipalities"

The Executive Director of Local Democracy Agency Georgia participated in the final conference of the project "Promoting Civic Involvement to Improve Social Accountability and Local Governance in Kvemo Kartli and Racha-Lechkhumi lower Svaneti municipalities organized by Association of Young Economists of Georgia.



Nino Khukhua, Executive Director of the Local Democracy Agency Georgia, spoke about the initiatives implemented by the organization at the local level within the project "Increasing the Quality of Citizen Involvement in Local Self-Government". During the presentation, special attention was paid to the online citizen feedback platform, which was piloted on the official website of Kharagauli, Vani, Baghdati, Samtredia, Khoni and Tskaltubo municipalities.

Meeting with the public servants who are responsible for relations with CSO's



Local Democracy Agency Georgia, in the framework of the project "Civil Society STAR Initiative", held meeting with the public servants who are responsible for relations with civil society organizations in Samtredia municipality. The aim of the meetings is to promote the role of civil society in public policy. The similar meetings are planned in all municipalities of Imereti region.

The meeting is being organized by LDA Georgia within the framework of the project "Civil Society STAR Initiative," with the support of the European Union and the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung.

Workshop with the youth club in Baghdati municipality

Local Democracy Agency Georgia, in the framework of the project "Civil Society STAR Initiative", hold another meeting of the youth club in Baghdati municipality.

The members of the youth club were selected through a competition based on their interests and motivation. The speaker - Ketevan Kukhianidze

conducted a seminar on the importance and role of civil society, reviewed the activities of civil society organizations and the achieved results. The workshop included hands-on exercises and small presentation.

The aim of this activity is to change the attitudes of young people / students towards civil society and community organizations, to promote volunteering among young people and to increase their interests in the activities of civil society organizations.

The club was established by LDA Georgia within the framework of the project "Civil Society STAR Initiative," with the support of the European Union and the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung.



Consultations with representatives of CSO's in Samtredia municipality

Local Democracy Agency Georgia, in the framework of the project "Civil Society STAR Initiative", provided consultation to representatives of civil society and community organizations in Samtredia municipality. At the meeting was presented the results of the research conducted by the organization, which related to the challenges and needs faced by civil and community organizations as a result of



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COVID 19; provided consultations on management issues of the organization in order to strengthen them; given the information about the grant competitions announced in Imereti region.

Similar meetings are going to held in the municipalities of Imereti region.

The meeting is being organized by

Meeting with members of Baghdati youth council

Local Democracy Agency Georgia held a meeting with the members of the Baghdati youth council.

At the meeting, the recommendations were provided on the activities regulating document of the Board - the statute, in order

to make changes and additions to the statute. The meeting was also attended by the representative of Baghdati municipality.

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Job shadowing in Zugdidi municipality



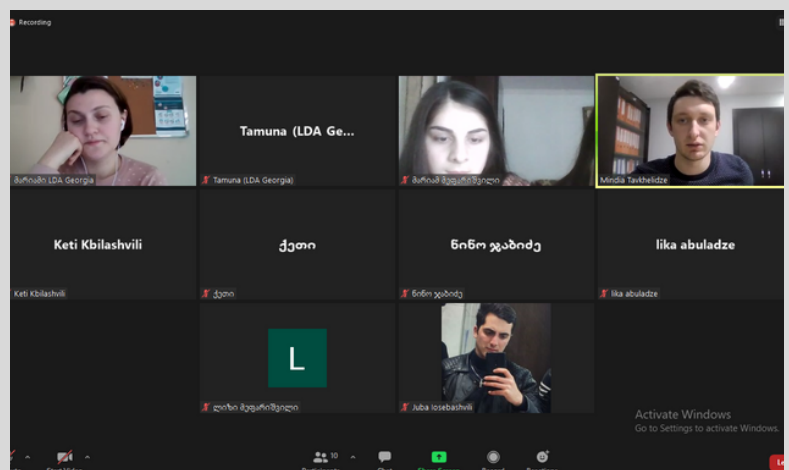
Representatives of civil society organizations operating in the Imereti region, visited to successful organizations in Zugdidi municipality – Association "Merkuri" and Association "Atinati". The study visit was organized by LDA Georgia. During the visit, the participating

organizations were given the opportunity to receive information about the establishment and implementation of civil society organizations operating in the border regions. Also, get acquainted with successful examples. As a result of the activity, the experience of CSO's / CBO's representatives of Imereti region increased in the direction of management and development of the organization. The circle of contact persons in the form of organizations working in the bordering regions has also increased. We would like to thank Association "Merkuri" and Association "Atinati" for hosting.

The study visits are being organized within the framework of the project "Civil Society STAR Initiative," with the support of the European Union and the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung.

Introductory meeting with the members of Youth Council in Baghdati Municipality

Local Democracy Agency Georgia held an introductory meeting with members of the Baghdati Youth Council. At the meeting, the board members shared their expectations regarding the activities of the board. LDA Georgia presented the vision on the future activities of the



council and its involvement in it. The meeting was participated by a representative of the Education Development and Employment Center, who spoke about organization's vision around the council, about future plans and focused on youth involvement in the Youth Agency's online course "Youth Policy".

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Training about specifics of advocacy



Local Democracy Agency Georgia has published a post on the organization's Facebook page about the advocacy trainings. People who were interested to attend the training had an opportunity to Complete the google questionnaire and register

as participants. In total eight (8) responses were submitted.

Online citizen feedback platforms

With the support of LDA Georgia in the municipalities of Kharagauli, Baghdati, Samtredia, Vani, Tskaltubo and Khoni has launched an online citizen feedback platform as a pilot. The purpose of creating this platform is to evaluate the services / programs provided for the citizens by the municipality. In the first stage, social programs are being evaluated.

The platform created within the framework of the grant "Increasing the quality of citizen involvement in local self-government", with the support of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Government of Georgia.

